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SUBJECT: SECTION 301 COMPLAINT -- CITRUS AND CITRUS
PRODUCTS IMPORTED INTO THE EC FROM CERTAIN MEDITERRANEAN
COUNTRIES

1. THE OFFICE OF THE SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR TRADE
NEGOTIATIONS (STR) PUBLISHED IN THE NOVEMBER 30, 1976,
FEDERAL REGISTER NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF TWO COMPLAINTS
UNDER SECTION 301 OF THE TRADE ACT OF 1974 RELATING TO THE
IMPORTATION OF CITRUS AND CITRUS PRODUCTS INTO THE EC.
THE COMPLAINTS BROUGHT BY THE FLORIDA CITRUS COMMISSION
AND BY COUNSEL FOR THE CALIFORNIA-ARIZONA CITRUS LEAGUE,
TEXAS CITRUS EXCHANGE AND TEXAS CITRUS MUTUAL APPLY TO
PREFERENTIAL TARIFFS ON CITRUS PRODUCTS GRANTED BY THE EC
TO MOROCCO, ALGERIA, TUNISIA, SPAIN, EGYPT AND ISRAEL.
THE PRODUCTS IN QUESTION FALL UNDER CCT NUMBERS 8.02,
20.06 AND 20.07 AND INCLUDE FRESH CITRUS FRUITS, PRESERVED
FRUITS AND FRUIT JUICES.

2. COMPLAINANTS ALLEGE THAT PREFERENTIAL TRADING ARRANGE-
MENTS BETWEEN THE EC AND THE MEDITERRANEAN COUNTRIES
NAMED ABOVE VIOLATE THE GATT, SPECIFICALLY ARTICLE I, AND
NEGATE TARIFF BINDINGS TO THE U.S. THEY FURTHER ALLEGE
THAT THE "CONTINUATION OF THE DISCRIMINATORY RESTRICTIONS

COMPLAINED OF HEREIN WILL SUBSTANTIALLY REDUCE OR
ELIMINATE THE EXPORTS OF THE COMPLAINANTS TO THE EEC
WHICH IS A MAJOR MARKET. IN ADDITION IT WILL ENCOURAGE
EXPANSION OF PRODUCTION IN THE COUNTRIES RECEIVING THE
DISCRIMINATORY PREFERENCE RESULTING IN A GREATER COM-
PETITION IN OTHER EXPORT MARKETS."

3. HEARINGS HAVE BEEN REQUESTED BY THE COMPLAINANTS AND
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HAVE BEEN SCHEDULED FOR 10 A.M., JANUARY 14, 1977, AT
STR. REQUESTS TO PRESENT ORAL TESTIMONY AND ACCOMPANYING
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